Rhonda Fowler Northeast Arkansas Education Cooperative

## Business Pathway Plan of Study

"We take care of the top 10% with scholarships and the special education students with IEPs, but the middle students are left to fend for themselves. The pathway plan of study is an IEP for those students".

Gene Benson

# Vocational Education vs. Career and Technical Education

Vocational Education "Then"	Career and Technical Education "Now"				
For <i>Some</i> Students	For <i>All</i> Students				
For a Few <i>Jobs</i>	For All Careers				
6-7 "Program Areas"	16 Clusters-79 Pathways				
In Lieu of Academics	Aligns and Supports Academics				
High School Focuses	High School and College Partnerships				

#### The Problems

- Engagement
  - For every 100 that enter high school only 70% graduate.
  - Number one reason students leave school is boredom.
- Achievement
  - Test scores, grades low
- Transition
  - To postsecondary education without the need for remediation
    - 63% take remedial courses at two-year institutions
    - 40% at four-year institutions
    - If you take one remedial course you are 50% less likely to obtain a degree.
  - To the workplace
    - Employers say they are not ready

### A Successful Plan of Study

#### Must:

- Contain both academic and CTE degree major courses
- Include receiving a credential, certificate, license, degree, etc.
- Be a plan to get students from high school entry to success in careers and postsecondary education.

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